

Mira Costa Relays to Lure City Cinderdemen

Oxnard Eliminates North Five

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On account all us here leading essayists are doing it, I shall let you in on how I quit smoking.

Since age 14, more or less, I've been chewing away on a collection of unsavory pipes.

I don't know why I started. More properly, I didn't know until recently. I started to smoke because I thought it made a man of me, like shooting a rifle or something.

When cancer came up, some ten years ago, the cigarette and tobacco men made a summit decision: They decided that men were more interested in their virility than in their longevity. They didn't have much trouble finding advertising men who agreed with them, and we were soon bombarded with pictures of cowboys with lean shanks in even leaner Levis, looking at the Golden Gate Bridge and all.

My virility, I regret to say, has been the least of my worries during the course of a brisk, harsh life. I've had doubts about lots of things, but I've never seriously doubted that I was a man. Not that being a man is such a great thing.

Eventually all this virility biz began to bore me. The message got to me. Subliminally, to be sure; but it got to me.

I quit smoking because I got bored with it. I quit smoking because I was tired of being assured, day in and day out, in the leading mass-communications media, that if I wanted to keep on being a man, I had jolly well better keep on smoking.

It was an almost involuntary decision. I didn't actually realize I had given up smoking until I had my last physical, a couple of months ago in a pretty little English town called Marlborough, at the hands of an old family retainer named Doctor Tom. Doctor Tom looks like Sherlock Holmes and thinks like Watson.

"How much do you drink?" he asked.

It is my policy in these matters to lie. I stated an amount which exceeds even my considerable daily intake.

"Rather a lot of spirits," Doctor Tom said.

And he asked, "How much do you smoke?"

To my considerable surprise, I said, "Almost not at all. I bought a pipe in London two months ago, and have smoked it only once."

"In that case," the good doctor told me, "you're quite ahead of the game."

As I left his office he glanced at me over the top of his spectacles and remarked, "You COULD drop a stone or two." Advice which, oddly, I have heeded.

I think it's a bit insulting to be told I'm really a man, by a lot of maladjusted from Madison avenue. After a bit it got like drilling on a raw nerve.

I suppose the only thing in the world which really irritates me is cold-blooded, hard-hearted, calculating lying. When you try to dissipate a fear of cancer by hammering away at the fact that cancer is less important than making it with the fair sex, then you've lost this here baby.

When I quit smoking it was a question of one evil driving another evil away, a happy and not too common circumstance.

Advertising killed smoking for me. Maybe it will for you, if you're interested. Just keep reading all that baloney. Seriously. Especially the stuff from the great sports heroes, who tell your 10-year-old that the future of his life depends on Brand X.

I smoke a cigar after dinner once in a while, and some of my best friends are smokers, but old Charley Barley has gone Christian and advertising which stressed my masculinity done it all.

State Boaters Need Not Renew Present Licenses

Californians will not have to renew boat registrations in either 1964 or 1965 provided the boats were properly registered in 1963.

Lachlan M. Richards, chief, Division of Small Craft Harbors, said boat registrations are good for a period of three years and do not follow the one-year pattern for automobiles.

Boaters are reminded that failure to have a craft properly registered may result in fines up to \$50. In December, 1963, 29 such violations were reported in local courts.

Richards stressed the requirement that every boat moored on state waters must be numbered and have a blue renewal sticker affixed.

Samohi Choice At Mico

Cinderdemen from four Torrance high schools will join over 1,000 other athletes in the annual Mira Costa Relays today and tomorrow at Mira Costa High.

Eighteen teams from the Bay, Sky and Pioneer leagues will be represented. North, South, Torrance and West will be entered in the three relay divisions.

LAST YEAR, Palos Verdes edged Santa Monica by two points to capture the title, but this time around, Samohi will be favored to regain its role as the Southland's most powerful cinder team.

North should field Torrance's top aggregation. The Saxons boast sprinting depth in Allan Johnson, Pete Molina, Bruce Allen, Dave Rance and Allen Kimbel, if he is able to run.

South will have its best chance for a medal in the varsity shot put. Harry Rutterman, John Daugherty and Scott Christensen will compete for the Spartans. Rutterman has a best of 51 feet while Daugherty has gone 49-7 and Christensen has a top of 47 feet.

SPARTAN MENTOR Dick Scully also feels his mile relay team of Randy Siler, Doug Hall, Wes Fox and Ron Marra will have a crack at a medal.

Scully says South will send its best Cee field event team ever to Mira Costa. The Spartans are as yet untried, however, with only one meet under their belt.

Torrance spike mentor Duane Lemon expects lack of depth to hamper his squad. Lemon believes that a broad jump team of Bob Romero, 20 feet; Ed Watson, 20 feet; and John Grim, 20-2, may prove potent.

Grim has been a pleasant surprise, jumping 20-2 against North on Tuesday and running a 10.5 century.

ON THE Bee pole vault, Lemon will go with Larry Champion, David Schlerf, and Mark Musso. All three have cleared 10-6.

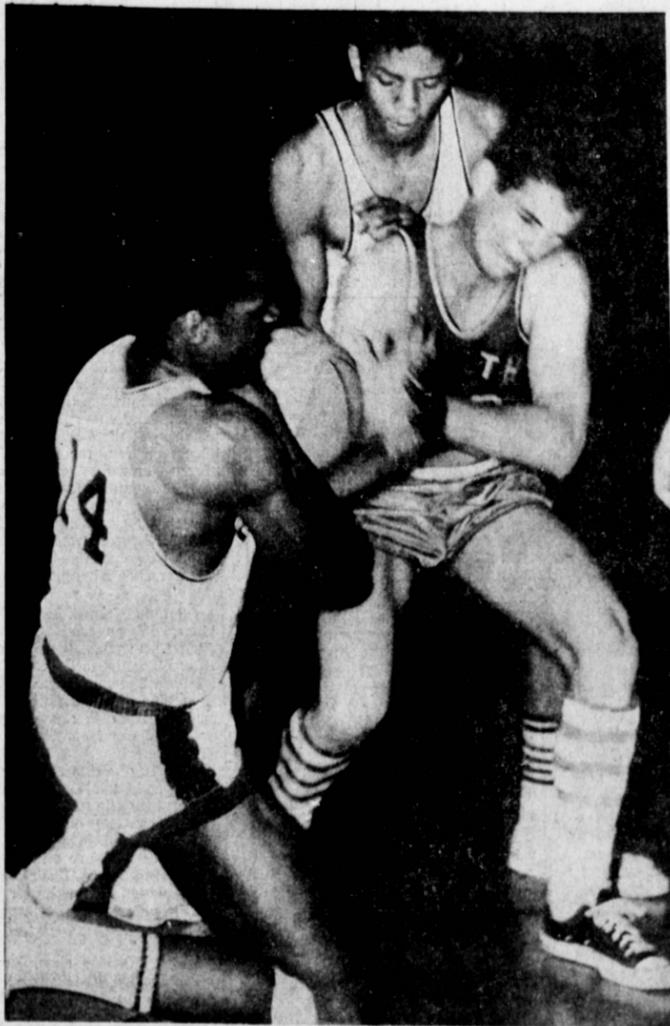
Lemon also feels a mile relay team of Grim, Pat Lewandowski, Larry Parker and Steve Brown will also be strong.

West will enter only Bee and Cee events. In the Bee distance medley, Dan Ritchie (220), Jim Marshall (440), Dave Graham (660) and Tom Jurco (1320) will run.

Steve Linsky, Marshall, Jurco, and Bill Jones or Joel Hons will go in the 660 relay. Hons, Bob St. Cyr, Jones and Mark Knox will enter the shuttle hurdles.



MIRA COSTA BOUND . . . Senior Bob Palmer will be South's top hurdler tomorrow night in the annual Mira Costa Relays. Palmer recently won both the high and low hurdle events against cross-town foe North High. (Herald Photo)



OVERWHELMED . . . Tiny North High guard Terry Tierney is out-muscled by Willie Harris (14) and Dave Lawyer of Oxnard in Tuesday night's CIF casaba showdown. Lawyer and Harris caught fire in the final period and Oxnard came from behind to snap a 16-game North winning streak with a 67-61 victory. (Herald Photo)

IN AUGUST

LL Tabs Torrance to Host Western Regional Tourney

Torrance will be the home of one of the four Little League regional tournaments in the nation this summer. Counterparts will be in New York City, eastern region; Norfolk, Va., southern region; and Indianapolis, Ind., northern region.

The semi-final series to the Little League World Series will be Aug. 20, 21 and 22 and will be followed by the finals in Williamsport, Pa., Aug. 25-29.

John Schnepf, California District 27 administrator who resides at 20557 Osage Ave., Torrance, has been appointed western region tournament director. He will be assisted by Henry J. Burke, 109 N. Pacific Coast Hwy., Redondo Beach, who is also a district official.

The Little League regional has been absent from Los Angeles proper since 1957 when it was held in Santa Monica. Since that time it has moved to Portland, Ore.; Sacramento, Calif.; Phoenix, Ariz.; San Bernardino, Calif.; Vancouver, British Columbia, and Sunnyvale, Calif.

Competing in the Torrance tournament will be four league teams from 12 western states, including Hawaii and Alaska, in addition to territories of South Dakota, North Dakota, New Mexico, and western Canada.

Each participant will have survived four levels of tournament play for nine or 10 victories. More than 1,400 leagues compete for the regionals and

more than 5,500 leagues are involved in the four regions as well as 26 allied nations.

Schnepf, who has attended five regional tournaments, said he'll adopt a tournament program which will serve as an exciting challenge for the nine Little Leagues of Torrance.

"We plan to produce the best tournament in the 15-year history of the region," Schnepf announced. An executive committee of six persons thoroughly versed in Little League Baseball and community activity will be in charge of the event, Schnepf reports.

Among requirements for staging a regional tournament are adequate experienced adult personnel, player housing, motel accommodations, tourist attractions, and stadium facilities.

The Torrance tournament will be played at Garrett Field, 190th Street and Van Ness.

Tartar Sluggers Club Mira Costa

Power-hitting Torrance High will tangle with cross-town rival South High at 3 p.m. today on the Torrance Park diamond in a non-league horsehide clash.

Torrance opened its baseball season on Tuesday with a resounding 11-9 victory over Mira Costa. The Tartars banged four runs across in both the third and sixth frames and finished with 12 bingles.

Senior chucker Bob Battaglia picked up the victory, giving up eight hits and two walks in six innings of work. Battaglia fanned four men before giving way to Norm Korchenko.

Korchenko worked 2/3 of the seventh frame before Les Dutcher took over and fanned Mico's cleanup hitter with the tying runs on base.

Sophomore center fielder John Ziemke was the top Torrance slugger, belting a home run and a single, accounting for two R.B.I.s and scoring four times.

Phil Hull tripled and singled and picked up four R.B.I.s. Hull drove one pitch 385 feet, but it was only a long out.

Jim Malone, with three R.B.I.s, doubled and singled in three trips to the plate. Senior first sacker Rod White went three for four and doubled twice. White also drove two runs across.

New Tartar coach Dale Walker was "pleased with the offensive showing" but indicated that Torrance needed defensive work. "Our line-up is still not set," Walker said.

'Jackets Capture Playoff Victory With Late Rally

Dreams of a CIF basketball championship evaporated in slightly over four minutes of playing time for North High Tuesday night.

After leading the entire contest, North faltered in the final four minutes as visiting Oxnard High surged to a 67-61 triumph to move into the CIF semi-finals and snap a 16-game Saxon winning streak.

Oxnard went ahead for the first time with only 4:05 left to play when guard Doug Ford canned a two-pointer that gave the Yellowjackets a 59-57 edge.

Almost a minute later, high-scoring Oxnard forward Dave Lawyer pushed the count to 61-57 and North was finished.

THE SAXONS tried to come back and 6-8 North center Ron Taylor cut the margin to 61-59 with 1:45 remaining.

Lawyer, who finished with 29 markers, then took matters in hand as he bucketed six straight free throws to cinch the win. A bucket by Al Lepper, which brought North within four points at 65-61, was the final Saxon effort.

North started quickly and maneuvered into a 19-14 first quarter edge and a 33-26 half-time lead. The second half was all Oxnard and when the final stanza opened North held only a two point margin, at 51-49.

Lawyer then turned on the steam and tied the score at 51-51 with 7:45 left to play. North guard Terry Tierney shot the Saxons back ahead 15 seconds later with a 10-foot bucket.

Again it was Lawyer who knotted the score at 53-53 with 6:25 still left to play. And again it was Tierney who put North ahead, dunking two free throws.

Lepper then hit in close and the Saxons boomed into a 57-53 lead.

FORD THEN took over and sank six straight points to torpedo the Saxons and move Oxnard into the semi-finals tomorrow against Pius X.

West Nine Earns Win Over NHS

With a 1-1 record under its belt, West High will continue pre-league baseball competition this afternoon on the Sea King diamond.

West won its first game of the year Tuesday afternoon, handing cross-town rival North a 9-6 licking.

North will also continue its pre-league play tomorrow at 3 p.m., hosting Lennox.

JUNIOR MOUND ace John Marsden survived a stiff win to limit North to seven hits and three earned runs on Tuesday. Marsden fanned 10 Saxons, but also walked an equal number.

A first-inning error gave West a quick 3-run lead. Dick Buchanan walked, Gary Loyd singled, Marsden walked and Ron Sells slapped a long fly to left field. The ball was dropped in the wind and all three runners scored.

IN THE second stanza, two more Warrior runs came over. Dennis Dodd walked, was sacrificed to second by Roy Hubecek, and was singled home by Buchanan. An error and a wild pitch moved Buchanan across.

Marsden homered as a lead-off man for West in the fifth inning. Dave LaRoche then singled, Sells was safe on an error, and Bob Gadbois singled for an RBI. An error allowed Sells to score and Dodd sacrificed Gadbois across.



NOT ENOUGH . . . North High center Al Lepper sails past Oxnard's Jerry Zulke Tuesday night for an easy lay-in. Lepper contributed 16 points for the Saxons, but it was not enough as Oxnard surged into the CIF semi-finals with a 67-61 victory. (Herald Photo)